

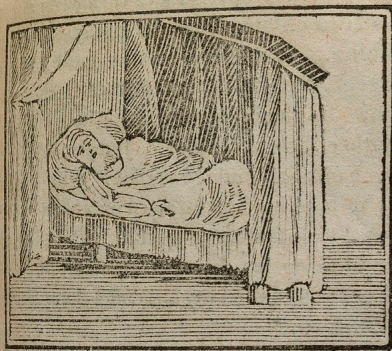
of days and years, as equally fleeting and vain ;  
and how few he esteems that vast number of  
years, which appear so prodigious in prospect.

How fast time steers his rapid course,  
Without the least delay ;  
No artful wiles, nor strongest force,  
Can e'er impede his way.

Thoughtless we glide with constant haste  
Along th' impetuous stream ;  
Nor think, till all our days are fled,  
That life is but a dream.

But to return to Jacob. We must notice, that  
he and his children went and lived peaceable in  
Goshen ; and Joseph went on with his usual  
transactions at Court ; and so we conclude this  
chapter.

CHAP.



# CH A P. XVII.

*Containing many very important Particulars.*

JOSEPH continued to govern Egypt, through  
the remaining years of the famine ; which  
was so great and general, that before the earth  
became fruitful again, the inhabitants of the land  
had